

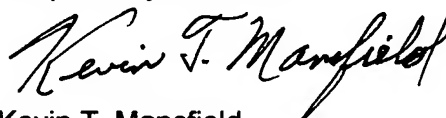
REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are the only claims pending. Original claims 3-8, 10, 14, 16, 19-22 and 25 have been amended to eliminate informal "use of" terminology and multiple ranges, to reduce filing fees by eliminating multiple dependency and to provide minor clarification.

Claim 16 has been amended to recite, "M is hydrogen or a monovalent counterion". Since it is attached to a -SO_3^- radical, which is obviously monovalent, the meaning is clear. M must be hydrogen or some monovalent counterion such as Na^+ . Hence, no new matter has been added.

Applicants aver that the claims are now in better form for examination. An Action on the merits of the claims is respectfully awaited. In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

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